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EPA ISSUES ACCESS ORDER FOR SKINNER LANDFILL SUPERFUND SITE

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) Region 5 Administrator Valdas V. Adamkus has issued an administrative order requiring the owners of the Skinner Landfill in West Chester, Ohio, to allow U.S. EPA access to the site without interference. The corder; issued on September 24, 1987, also prohibits. #the wowners afrom further dumping in areas to be studied by U.S. EPA.

In December 1982, U.S. EPA placed the site on the Superfund National Priori-In March 1986, a remedial investigation/feasibility Study ties List (NPL). (RI/FS) was initiated to study the nature and extent of contamination, and evaluate possible remedies for site. Beginning in April 1987, the owners of the landfill piled concrete and metal materials on top of areas designated for study during U.S. EPA's remedial investigation. The materials prevented U.S. EPA from continuing the field work necessary to complete the remedial investigation.

If the owners fail to comply with the administrative order, a court may enforce the order and assess civil penalties up to \$25,000 a day for each day of non-compliance. To date, the owners have complied with the order.

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